

ARTS, CULTURE & HERITAGE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, October 6, 2015

DEXTER DISTRICT LIBRARY – 3255 ALPINE

THE CITY OF DEXTER

Members present: Victoria Schon, Cheryl Willoughby, Lynn Babcock, Rich Bellas, Cristen Rinderknecht, Phil Arbour, Martha Gregg, and Donna Fisher (arr. 8:02 PM)

Introductions

Committee members introduced themselves to Martha Gregg. Members discussed their background and what interested them about serving on the Committee.

Review of Notes from August Meeting

Arbour motion; Schon second to approve the notes as presented, with one correction to change “canvass” to “canvas.”

Arts, Culture, and Heritage Initiatives

Lynn Babcock discussed restarting conversations relating to the Katherine Dexter McCormick theater project. She stated that she should have more information next month.

Reports

Tourism – Justin Breyer discussed the status of the Visitors Guide project. Justin and Victoria will be meeting with Michelle Aniol and Graciela Demorath later this month to talk about the design of the Visitors Guide. The text is mostly written, but it will need to be revised.

Victoria Schon and Rich Bellas reported that the Ypsilanti Area CVB has been absorbed into the Ann Arbor CVB. Victoria is not sure that the Committee will be able to count on their grant dollars next year.

Paint Dexter

Victoria Schon stated that she would like to wait until January to begin thinking about next year’s event. She reported that the event already has a judge – Peggy Kroll Roberts, who is world renown. The judge will also be doing workshops.

Phil Arbour heard that artists were bumped from a local hotel. He also heard that artists were claiming that the hotel was expensive.

Victoria Schon reported that the fall workshops will not be taking place. They were planned, but there were issues with the artist that was planned to lead the workshops.

The Committee discussed looking at feedback and making changes for next year, children’s workshops, Friday hours, partnering with the Dexter Area Library, and developing a People’s Choice Award.

The Committee directed staff to make the financials of the 2015 event available for the next meeting.

Public Art Plan

The Committee discussed looking at the Art Plan for the November meeting. Committee members will send their comments to Justin Breyer.

Other

The meeting in November will be pushed back to November 10th due to an Election being held on November 3rd. Justin Breyer will send out a reminder about the election and the new meeting date.

Construction on the remainder of the Border-to-Border Trail will take place starting next week. After that, we can work on finding a place for the bike sculpture.

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